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COMMUNICATION

Madam:

In response to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due mailed February 13, 2009, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the reference of Schneider, A. et al., "Importance of Human Papillomavirus Detection in Screening," 2001; Deutsches Arzteblatt 2001; Jg. 98, 39:2517-2521 (Applicant's reference number C42, "Schneider et al."), filed with an Information Disclosure Statement on January 9, 2009.

Applicant notes that the Examiner indicated on page 3 of the Notice of Allowability that "Abstracts will be considered if a proper translation is provided." The Schneider et al. reference did, in fact, contain an English abstract in the article itself (see "Summary" section at the tops of the middle and right columns on page 2517). Therefore, Applicant submits that the Schneider et

al. reference should have been considered based on the inclusion of an English language abstract, and respectfully requests that the Examiner consider it.

Applicant also respectfully requests that the Examiner provide confirmation that the Schneider et al. reference has been considered.

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Respectfully submitted,

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